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FLOOR SCHEDULE FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2011

HOUSE MEETS AT:	FIRST VOTE PREDICTED:	LAST VOTE PREDICTED:
10:00 a.m.: Morning Hour 12:00 p.m.: Legislative Business	1:00 – 2:00 p.m.	5:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Fifteen "One Minutes" per side		

Motion to go to Conference on <u>H.R. 2055</u> - Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2012 (Rep. Culberson – Appropriations) **Motion to Instruct Conferees.**

Motion to go to Conference on <u>H.R. 1540</u> - National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 (Rep. McKeon – Armed Services) **Possible Motion to Instruct Conferees.**

Suspension (1 bill)

1. <u>H.R. 1254</u> - Synthetic Drug Control Act (Rep. Dent - Energy and Commerce)

H.R. 10 - Regulations From the Executive in Need of Scrutiny (REINS) Act of 2011 (Rep. Davis (KY) - Judiciary/Rules) This bill modifies the federal rule-making process by requiring Congress to approve executive agency regulatory proposals that are deemed to be "major rules" (those with an economic impact greater than \$100 million) — rather than allowing Congress to disapprove of those proposed rules and regulations, as is currently the case under the CRA. This bill would seek to give Congress the responsibility of approving any rule proposed by the administration before it can go into effect.

By requiring Congressional approval of major rules, H.R. 10 would serve as a procedural `chokehold' in multiple ways on Federal agency rulemaking, undermining the ability of agencies to provide essential protections to Americans, and creating uncertainty for businesses.

The GOP Leadership has been unable to put forth a comprehensive jobs plan, and continues to pursue an ideological agenda. House Republicans seem intent on adjourning for the year without addressing critical extensions of the payroll tax holiday, unemployment benefits, and fixing the Medicare physician payment rate. H.R. 10 would give the Republican Majority even more legislative responsibility, which they have repeatedly demonstrated they would be unable to handle. **Members are urged to VOTE NO on H.R. 10.**

The Rule makes in order 7 amendments, each debatable for 10 minutes, equally divided between the offeror and an opponent. The amendments are:

Rep. Sessions Amendment. Would require the agency submitting the report on a proposed Federal rule to include (as part of the cost-benefit analysis submitted) an assessment of anticipated jobs gained or lost as a result of implementation, and to specify whether those jobs will come from the public or private sector

Rep. Johnson (GA)/Jackson Lee Amendment. Would exempt any rule that the Office of Management and Budget determines would result in net job creation

Rep. Shrader Amendment. Would require a cost benefit analysis to be included with reports to Congress and require agencies to submit criteria for cost benefit analyses to Congress within 12 months of enactment

Rep. McKinley Amendment. Would reduce the annual effect on the economy of the term "major rule" from \$100,000,000 or more to \$50,000,000 or more

Rep. McCarthy (NY) Amendment. Would exempt any rule relating to food safety, workplace safety, air quality, consumer product safety, or water quality

Rep. Jackson Lee Amendment. Would exempt all rules promulgated by the Department of Homeland Security.

Rep. Moore (WI) Amendment. Would exempt any rule relating to veterans or veterans affairs

Bill Text for H.R. 10:

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Background for H.R. 10:

House Report (HTML Version)

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CRS Report - REINS Act: Number and Types of "Major Rules" in Recent YearsCRS Report - Regulatory Reform Legislation in the 112th Congress

Postponed Suspension Votes (7 bills):

- H.R. 944 To eliminate an unused lighthouse reservation, provide management consistency by incorporating the rocks and small islands along the coast of Orange County, California, into the California Coastal National Monument managed by the Bureau of Land Management, and meet the original Congressional intent of preserving Orange County's rocks and small islands, and for other purpose (Rep. Campbell - Natural Resources)
- 2. <u>S. 535</u> Fort Pulaski National Monument Lease Authorization Act (Sen. Isakson Natural Resources)
- 3. H.R. 2360 POWER Act (Rep. Landry Natural Resources)
- 4. <u>H.R. 2351</u> North Cascades National Park Service Complex Fish Stocking Act (Rep. Hastings (WA) Natural Resources Committee)
- 5. <u>H.R. 1560</u> To amend the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act to allow the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe to determine blood quantum requirement for membership in that tribe (Rep. Reyes Natural Resources)
- 6. <u>S.683 -</u> Box Elder Utah Land Conveyance Act (Sen. Lee Natural Resources)
- 7. <u>S.Con.Res. 32</u> A concurrent resolution to authorize the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make technical corrections in the enrollment of <u>H.R. 470</u>, an Act to further allocate and expand the availability of hydroelectric power generated at Hoover Dam, and for other purpose (Sen. Bingaman Natural Resources)

TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule for Thursday, December 8: The House will meet at 9:00 a.m. for legislative business. The House is expected to consider <u>H.R. 1633</u> – Farm Dust Regulation Prevention Act of 2011 (Rep. Noem – Energy and Commerce) (Subject to a Rule).

The Daily Quote

"The House is moving forward with three bills that would cripple the regulatory system. The bills are not going to become law this Congress, but they show how far a party in thrall to its right-most wing is willing to veer from what has long been the mainstream. The bills before the House would prevent the system from working: they are a recipe for failure."

-Former Republican Rep. Sherwood Boehlert (NY), The Hill, 11/30/11